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For: **POLYAMIDE-AMIC ACID COATING FORMULATIONS AND PROCESSES**

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action of October 7, 2005.

REMARKS

Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-24, with traverse. Applicant did not respond earlier with such an election as Applicant understood he would not have to respond until the restriction requirement was made in written form.

Applicants elect a single disclosed species as follows:

As to the neutralizing agent, a secondary amine is elected. Such a neutralizing agent is disclosed, for example, in claim 6.

As to the directly linkable molecule (Claim 1) or the "at least one molecule other than a PAA or a PAI" (Claim 18), a functionalized siloxane is elected. Such a directly linkable molecule is disclosed, for example, in Claim 4.